IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as indicated herein.

What is claimed is:

1. (Previously presented) A method performed by a computer system to print a document page that includes an image or a graphic and is split over several sheets with a user-selectable print scale, comprising:

simultaneously displaying on a computer display, in one and the same dialog box, a preview of the document page as it may be printed, including displaying splitting said image or graphic over one or more sheets in a tile-like manner, and at least one control element for modifying the print scale of the image or graphic with which the document page may be printed;

enabling a user to modify the print scale of the image or graphic by actuating the at least one control element, without a need for a user to open or access another dialog box, wherein modification of the print scale of the image or graphic may cause a number of sheets over which the printed document page extends to increase or decrease;

dynamically changing the displayed print scale of the image or graphic relative to the displayed size of a sheet in response to the modification of the print scale of the image or graphic by actuation of the control element, and changing, in a jump-like manner, the displayed sheet splitting in response to the modification of the print scale; and

printing the document page with the selected print scale and the displayed sheet splitting upon receiving a print command.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the method is implemented by an application program.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the method is implemented by a printer driver or an operating system.

4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein a program that initiates a print job uses a virtual sheet size which is larger than an actual sheet size, and, when the print job is passed to at least one of the printer driver and the operating system, the method is carried out using a representation of the document page adapted to the virtual sheet size as an input.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the control element is a graphical slider.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the sheet splitting is displayed by overlaying the preview of the document page with a grid.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein a sheet location identification is printed on the sheets of the document page.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the sheet splitting is shifted relative to the page in response to a corresponding actuation of a sheet splitting shift control element or a pointing device.

9. (Previously presented) A computer system, comprising:

a processing unit and computer-readable storage arranged to process and store programs and program components;

a computer display;

a printer; and

a program component, stored in the storage, that is arranged to cause a print preview of a document page that includes an image or a graphic and is to be printed over several sheets, and at least one control element for modifying a print scale of the image or graphic, to be simultaneously displayed in one and the same dialog box on the computer display, wherein splitting said image or graphic over one or more sheets in a tile-like manner is also displayed,

wherein the program component is arranged to enable a user to modify a print scale of the image or graphic by actuating the control element, without a need for the user to open or access another dialog box, wherein the modification of the print scale of the image or graphic may cause a number of the sheets over which the printed document page extends to increase or decrease,

wherein the program component is arranged to cause the displayed print scale of the image or graphic to dynamically change relative to the displayed size of a sheet in response to the actuation of the control element, and change, in a jump-like manner, the displayed sheet splitting in response to the modification of the print scale of the image or graphic, and

wherein the program component is arranged to cause the document page to be printed with the selected print scale and the displayed sheet splitting upon receiving a print command.

10. (Original) The computer system of claim 9, wherein the program component is part of an application program.

11. (Original) The computer system of claim 9, wherein the program component is part of a printer driver or an operating system.

12. (Previously presented) The computer system of claim 11, wherein a program that initiates a print job uses a virtual sheet size which is larger than an actual sheet size, and, when the print job is passed to at least one of the printer driver and the operating system, the printer driver or the operating system uses a representation of the document page adapted to the virtual sheet size as an input.

13. (Original) The computer system of claim 9, wherein the control element is a graphical slider.

14. (Original) The computer system of claim 9, wherein the sheet splitting is displayed by overlaying the preview of the document page with a grid.

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15. (Original) The computer system of claim 9, wherein a sheet location identification is printed on the sheets of the document page.

16. (Original) The computer system of claim 9, wherein the sheet splitting is shifted relative to the page in response to a corresponding actuation of a sheet splitting shift control element or a pointing device.

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